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[REDACTED] (Protect Identity) (hereinafter referred to as the source for security purposes), [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed at an undisclosed location. Present during the interview was [REDACTED] attorney for the source, and JOSEPH BIANCO and MICHAEL McGOVERN, Assistant United States Attorneys (AUSA), Southern District of New York (S.D.N.Y.). AUSA PATRICK FITZGERALD was present on 03/16/2001 and 03/17/2001. At the outset of the interview, the source was presented and signed a proffer agreement which was prepared by the S.D.N.Y. and explained to him by his attorney, [REDACTED]. The agreement was presented to the source for his signature on each day of the interview and witnessed by those present. Source thereafter provided the following information:

Source was born [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had decided to relocate to California in order to become a producer. Source decided to accompany [REDACTED] to California in 1987, where he attended [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] During this time, he stayed with his friend [REDACTED] of California and worked in two locations [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He attended school during the day.

While in California, source attended a mosque on 10th Avenue in Northridge. He was [REDACTED] the mosque by the Imam, whose name he does not recall. He also changed residences at this time and began staying with an individual [REDACTED] who had

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recently immigrated to the United States [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It was at this time that the source began to hear about the war in Afghanistan. Numerous people at the mosque spoke concerning Afghanistan, including [REDACTED] the mosque. Source became convinced that it was his Muslim duty to participate in the jihad in Afghanistan. He read numerous flyers and newsletters at the mosque which provided him information as to how to relocate to Afghanistan in order to support the jihad or holy war.

At this time, an individual in New York by the name of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] an organization which assisted people in traveling to Afghanistan, telephoned the Northridge Mosque. [REDACTED] was calling numerous mosques around the country in an effort to recruit people to travel to Afghanistan. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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